

# JOHNSON DECLARES WILSON A DICTATOR

Californian Introduced to St. Louis Audience by Democrat.

## TALKS TO INDIANA PEOPLE

Johnson, Borah and McCormick Reply to Recent Speeches of President—Want American People to Know the Facts.

St. Louis, Sept. 13.—Introduced by Dr. John H. Simon, former Democratic candidate for mayor, to one of the largest audiences that ever filled the Coliseum, Senator Hiram Johnson of California, pounded home argument after argument against the League of Nations until the vast assemblage was brought to its feet cheering time and again.

Speaking from the same platform where a week ago President Wilson hurled the epithet of "quitters" at his opponents, Senator Johnson termed the president a dictator who had "irregarded to himself the right to dispose of our blood through secrecy," and pictured the proposed covenants a patchwork of secret treaties entered into by the various nations before we entered the war.

Blames H. C. L. on President.

Indianapolis, Sept. 12.—Undoubtedly the people of Indianapolis are concerned over the arguments for and against ratification of the League of Nations. When President Wilson spoke here last Friday he contributed to that concern by assuring his audience that the high cost of living would be reduced through immediate acceptance of the covenant without reservations.

But it was evident at Tomlinson hall that the president did not convert permanently all of the city to his point of view. Senator Hiram Johnson of California, delivering his second address on his speaking campaign in behalf of the senate reservations, obtained from his audience definitely expressed agreement when he declared: "If any single individual can be charged with the high cost of living, that man is Woodrow Wilson."

The senator devoted a large share of his speech to answering the president's charge that delay in ratification was sustaining the living cost.

"He taxes the two months that the league and treaty have been before the American people and senate with the high cost of living," Senator Johnson said. "But he conveniently forgets the eight months he spent abroad, secretly pledging our resources and our man power to European and Asiatic governments. The living cost in December and January last were substantially the same as they are today. But he had neither the time nor inclination to deal with the problem then."

"But now the president would frighten us into immediate ratification of his treaty by a cheap and specious statement."

Treaty Fees Answer Wilson.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Many thousands were unable to gain admission to the Auditorium last night when Senators Johnson, Borah and McCormick opened their campaign in opposition to the League of Nations and the peace treaty.

Senator McCormick received cheers when he declared that while "the chief spokesman for America stood there (at the peace conference), his gaze enraptured by the sight, Lloyd George sat down in the cockpit and wrote the League of Nations."

Senator Johnson declared that when the treaty finally did reach the senate it was found not to be a "document responding to the idealistic phrases and altruistic doctrines," but "an instrument that spends our treasure and our blood for the maintenance of the British empire and the Japanese empire."

Californian Is Sarcastic.

"I have followed, just as you have doubtless followed," Mr. Johnson said, "the utterances of the president in his recent speaking tour. I read his opening sentence delivered at the city of Columbus when he said that he chafed at the confinement for so long a time at Washington. I felt, as I read that sentence, just as you doubtless feel, wholly sympathetic for his enforced idleness in the rigors of the White House."

"I felt, just as you doubtless felt, that the confinement in Washington, of which he complained, for a few days over a month had torn his soul and made his spirit rebel at the restraint put upon it. But I observed, my friends, that he is going to a state I am reasonably familiar with, and in which I was born, and I am hoping and praying, too, my friends, that when he reaches that state, the balmy breezes of the Pacific and the salubrious climate of California will soothe his perturbed spirit and assuage his anguished soul."

"Now, my friends, we will let him use denunciation and abuse. Thank God, the American cause I preach needs only the expression of the truth."

As to Contemptible Quitters.

"The other day at St. Louis, in a frenzy of anger, Mr. Wilson said, 'Let them show how they will prove that, having gone into an enterprise, they are not absolutely contemptible quitters if they do not see the game through.' What game, my friends?"

Your game? The game of the American people? Not at all.

"The American people play their game. They played it when they sent their sons abroad to the number of 2,000,000 and these boys valiantly upheld the traditions and honor of this country."

"That was the American people's game, but it is not the American people's game to safeguard the territorial acquisitions of England or of France or of Italy or of Japan. And that is the game that Mr. Wilson speaks of and that Mr. Wilson plays today."

"Now, the American people never have been quitters. They never have in any contest, either in their own behalf or in the behalf of humanity quit the game. They have ever seen it through. Mr. Wilson began his game at Paris, and let's see who quit in that game and who it was that forgot the American rule."

"You remember, just as I did, that he had certain idealistic phrases, certain idealistic statements and certain specified principles upon which he went across the water to play his game, and, my friends, I might say to you something that we learned long, long ago in the West. In our unregenerated day, before we were as civilized as you are here in this great state, there was a saying that ripened into a proverb: 'Never sit in the other fellow's game.' The trouble with Mr. Wilson is that he has been sitting in the other fellow's game. And he got there just exactly what a man always gets who sits in another fellow's game."

Armaments Not Reduced.

"He started off, as you recall, with open covenants of peace openly arrived at. You and I echoed the sentiment. All America applauded. Who quit? Who was the quitter?"

"We indulged vociferously the freedom of the seas and the British lion growled. Who quit?"

"He talked of removal of all economic barriers and we all yielded a ready assent. But economic barriers were not removed. The American people didn't quit. Somebody else quit."

"He talked, my friends, of adequate guarantees given and that armaments would be reduced. No armaments were ended. None will be reduced, admittedly, under the League of Nations."

Self-Determination Forgotten.

"He told us of the destruction of every arbitrary power that can separately and securely disturb the peace of the world. He never mentioned it again in Paris. The American people didn't quit. Somebody else did. He said, my friends, self-determination, self-determination for all the peoples of the earth, and every one of us believed in that doctrine. We all hummed and we said: 'We will stand behind you four square for self-determination,' but he left it. The American people didn't quit. Who quit?"

"He said there can be no league or alliance or special covenants and understandings within the general and common family of the League of Nations, and then Clemenceau made a grimace and then we had an offensive and defensive alliance with France brought to us. The American people didn't quit because they were behind him in his statement. Somebody else was the quitter."

"He said to us as he went abroad that no people can be forced to live under a sovereignty under which it does not wish to live. But Japan, with an immobile countenance, shook her head and the American people didn't quit, but somebody else quit."

Cheer for American Troops.

Senator Johnson provoked a demonstration when he referred to the American forces finally stopping the great German drive on Paris.

"They required no League of Nations to do it," he exclaimed. "I have heard of men placing themselves in the hands of their creditors, but I have never yet heard of a man placing himself in the hands of his debtors. There is just one going, solvent, national concern in all this world, and it is your country and your country. Why does the greatest solvent national concern on earth have to enter into a partnership with four bankrupts?"

"Just think of it, my friends, in the assembly of the League of Nations, the United States, your country and mine, the most powerful on the face of the earth, the richest in all the world, is given one vote to Great Britain's six votes."

"My friends, do you realize what the president was up against? I think I do, and he did not. His good intentions did not protect him from the European diplomacy. He used beautiful phrases while they sat with their pockets bulging with the contracts signed, sealed and delivered for carving the world. When they got all through he had his beautiful phrases and they had the countries and the peoples for whom they had bargained long before we entered the war. He brought home just what was handed to him."

Picking Pockets to Poison Mind.

Senator Borah declared the people's taxes during the last few years had been spent on propaganda dedicated to telling them how powerful the people in power have been.

"We have been picking our pockets," he said, "to poison our minds."

Senator Borah opened his speech by saying he would attempt to discuss the question as broadly as "a man can do who has a pigmy mind."

"Now, our honored president has said in his appeal at Columbus, O., that if you have not time to read the treaty for yourselves, that he feels that you are under obligation to take the view and construction of those who wrote the treaty." Senator Borah continued, "That, my friends, it seems to me, is open to legitimate objection. In the first place, there are no two men who helped to write the treaty that now agree as to what it means."



Oh, the English air! the Irish air! the Welsh! Scottish, too. The Canadian and American and the 'lucky French' too. The only thing that bothered us in all our staggering tasks was that in all would happen was the 'lucky' of the Yanks.

THE United States of America is preparing an illustrated history of the great war which will tell exactly what happened when the Huns hit the Yanks. In the meantime congress has picked out a few sample fighting Yanks and awarded them the Medal of Honor, not for doing their mere duty, but for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty." Incidentally, this list could be easily doubled and trebled. Again: The names of American soldiers who wear other American, British and French decorations are legion; six of the 12,000 Americans who fought with the Canadians were awarded the Victoria Cross, the British decoration corresponding to the Medal of Honor. One out of 15,400 soldiers in action received the Medal of Honor.

I would like to see the official citations setting forth the acts of supreme courage of each of these 75 medalists printed in full in every newspaper in the land. I would like to see these citations made into a text book and put into the public schools. I am not bloodthirsty, but I approve efficiency, even in killing Huns. And I think such a book would be an incentive to patriotism in every red-blooded American boy and girl—our future citizens.

As it is, there is space for little here besides the names of the medalists. Study the list and find out many interesting things for yourself. You will note, for instance, that 21 are officers and 57 enlisted men. Nineteen paid the price with their lives. New York leads with nine; Illinois is second with seven, and California, Missouri, New Jersey, South Carolina and Tennessee share third honors with six each.

Military experts have long regarded the Marines the most efficient fighting men of all the armies of the world. Nevertheless, 39 of the medals go to the men of the National Guards; 23 to men of the selective draft organizations, 13 to regular army and marine units, 2 to the tank corps and 1 to the air service.

By divisions, the Thirtieth leads with 12 medals; it is the National Guard organization of the Carolinas and Tennessee. Second honors go to the Eighty-ninth division, which is the selective draft unit of western Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, South Dakota and New Mexico. The third is the Thirty-third or National Guard Division of Illinois. Fourth honors go to the famous Second division of regulars, which includes the marines, while fifth place is shared by the two New York divisions, the Twenty-seventh and the Seventy-seventh.

Sergeant Ellis, a regular, put in a whole day far in advance of the first wave of his company reducing machine-gun nests single-handed. He killed many of the enemy and captured ten machine guns and more than 50 prisoners.

Lieutenant Woodfill, also a regular, reduced three separate machine-gun nests, killing at least 12 of the enemy with rifle and pistol and finally two with a pick.

Lieutenant Luke, an eighteen-year-old volunteer aviator, destroyed 18 enemy aircraft in 17 days. Wounded and forced to make a landing, he killed attacking Germans with his pistol until he fell.

Sergeant York was originally a sincere conscientious objector. He was convinced from the Bible that "blessed are the peacemakers." So he went over to help make peace. He killed 24 of the enemy with rifle and pistol, put a whole machine-gun battalion out of business and marched 132 prisoners back to the American lines.

Every possible kind of courage was shown by these medalists. Roberts, when his tank slid into a flooded shell hole, deliberately gave his life to save his gunner. Blackwell gave his life in a volunteer attempt to get through heavy fire with a mesquite. Whittlesey is the "Go to hell" officer of Argonne fame, who would not surrender. Loman wears also the Victoria Cross, Legion of Honor, the Medaille Militaire and the Croix de Guerre.

Don't forget the cartoon in which the one-armed hero and the potential hero who never got to the firing-line are each saying "You lucky guy." And don't forget the potential heroes. Their hearts were broken.

The Complete List.

Adkinson, Joseph B., sergeant, Company C, 119th infantry, 30th division, Atoka, Tenn.  
Allex, Jake, corporal, Company H, 131st infantry, 33d division, Chicago.  
Allworth, Edward S., captain, 60th infantry, 5th division, Crawford, Wash.

# 78 CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS of HONOR to A.E.F.

By John Dickinson Sherman



Anderson, Johannes B., sergeant, Company B, 132d infantry, 33d division, Chicago.

Barger, Charles D., private, first class, Company I, 354th infantry, 80th division, Shotts City, Mo.

Barkeley, David B., private, Company A, 356th infantry, 80th division, San Antonio, Tex. Deceased.

Barkeley, John L., private, first class, Company K, 4th infantry, 3d division, Bialstown, Mo.

Bart, Frank J., private, Company C, 9th infantry, 2d division, Newark, N. J.

Blackwell, Robert L., private, 119th infantry, 30th division, Hurley Mills, N. C. Deceased.

Call, Donald M., second lieutenant, tank corps, Larchmont, N. Y.

Chiles, Marcellus H., captain, 356th infantry, 80th division, Denver, Colo. Deceased.

Coeyer, Wilbur E., sergeant, Company A, 1st engineers, 1st division, Ozone Park, L. I. Deceased.

Costin, Henry G., private, Company H, 115th infantry, 20th division, Cape Charles, Va. Deceased.

Cukla, Louis, first lieutenant, 5th regiment marines, 2d division, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dulbey, George, private, first class, Company H, 103d infantry, 20th division, Boston, Mass.

Dozier, James C., first lieutenant, Company G, 115th infantry, 30th division, Rock Hill, S. C.

Eggert, Alan Louis, sergeant, machine gun company, 107th infantry, 27th division, Summit, N. J.

Ellis, Michael B., sergeant, Company C, 28th infantry, 1st division, East St. Louis, Ill.

Forrester, Arthur J., sergeant, Company D, 354th infantry, 80th division, Hannibal, Mo.

Foster, Gary Evans, sergeant, Company F, 118th infantry, 30th division, Inman, S. C.

Funk, Jesse M., private, first class, 354th infantry, 80th division, Chatham, Colo.

Furlong, Richard A., first lieutenant, 353d infantry, 8th division, Detroit, Mich.

Gaffney, Frank, private, first class, 108th infantry, 30th division, Lockport, N. Y.

Gregory, Earl D., sergeant, headquarters company, 118th infantry, 29th division, Chase City, Va.

Gumpertz, Sydney G., first sergeant, Company E, 122d infantry, 33d division, New York City.

Hall, Thomas Lee, sergeant, Company G, 118th infantry, 30th division, Fort Hill, S. C. Deceased.

Hatter, M. Waldo, sergeant, Company B, 356th infantry, 80th division, Neosho, Mo.

Hays, George Price, first lieutenant, 10th field artillery, 3d division, Okarchee, Okla.

Heriot, James D., corporal, Company I, 118th infantry, 30th division, Providence, S. C. Deceased.

Hill, Ralyn, corporal, Company H, 129th infantry, 33d division, Oregon, Ill.

Hilton, Richmond H., sergeant, Company H, 118th infantry, 30th division, Westville, S. C.

Hoffman, Charles F., gunnery sergeant, 5th regiment marines, 2d division, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Johnston, Harold I., sergeant, Company A, 356th infantry, 80th division, Denver, Colo.

Karnes, James E., sergeant, Company D, 117th infantry, 30th division, Knoxville, Tenn.

Kaufman, Benjamin, first sergeant, Company K, 308th infantry, 77th division, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Katz, Philip C., sergeant, Company C, 363d infantry, 91st division, San Francisco, Cal.

Kocak, Matej, sergeant, Company C, 5th regiment marines, 2d division, Albany, N. Y.

Kelly, John Joseph, private, 6th regiment marines, 2d division, Chicago.

Latham, John Cridland, sergeant, machine gun company, 107th infantry, 27th division, Westmoreland, England.

Lemert, Milo, first sergeant, Company H, 119th infantry, 30th division, Grossville, Tenn.

Loman, Berger, private, Company H, 132d infantry, 33d division, Chicago.

Luke, Frank Jr., lieutenant, 27th aero squadron, Phoenix, Ariz. Deceased.

Mallen, George H., captain, 132d infantry, 33d division, Kansas City, Mo.

Manning, Sidney E., corporal, Company C, 167th infantry, 42d division, Flominton, Ala.

Mestrovich, James L., sergeant, Company C, 11th infantry, 28th division, Fresno, Cal.

Miles, L. Wardlaw, captain, 308th infantry, 77th division, Princeton, N. J.

Miller, Oscar F., major, 361st infantry, 91st division, Los Angeles, Cal. Deceased.

McMurry George G., captain, 308th infantry, 77th division, New York City.

Neibaur, Thomas C., private, Company M, 167th infantry, 42d division, Sumner City, Idaho.

O'Shea, Thomas E., corporal, machine gun company, 107th infantry, 27th division, Summit, N. J. Deceased.

Peck, Archie A., private, Company A, 307th infantry, 77th division, Hornell, N. Y.

Perkins, Michael J., private first class, Company D, 101st infantry, 20th division, Boston, Mass.

Pike, Emory J., lieutenant colonel, division machine gun officer, 82nd division, Los Molinos, Ia. Deceased.

Pope, Thomas A., corporal, Company E, 131st infantry, 33d division, Chicago.

Pruitt, John H., corporal, 78th company 6th regiment of marines, 2d division, Phoenix, Ariz. Deceased.

Regan, Patrick, second lieutenant, 115th infantry, 29th division, Los Angeles, Cal.

Robb, George S., first lieutenant, 308th infantry, 33d division, Salina, Kan.

Roberts, Gerald W., corporal, tank corps, San Francisco, Cal. Deceased.

Samplers, Samuel E., sergeant, Company M, 142d infantry, 30th division, Mangum, Okla.

Sandlin, Willie, private, Company A, 132d infantry, 33d division, Hayden, Ky.

Sawelson, William, sergeant, Company —, 312th infantry, 7th division, Harrison, N. J. Deceased.

Selbert, Floyd M., sergeant, Company F, 364th infantry, 91st division, Salinas, Cal.

Skinker, Alexander R., captain, 138th infantry, 35th division, St. Louis, Mo. Deceased.

Slack, Clayton K., private, Company E, 124th infantry, 31st division, Portland Ore. Deceased.

Smith, Frederick E., lieutenant colonel, 308th infantry, 77th division, Russellville, Tenn.

Talley, Edward R., sergeant, Company L, 117th infantry, 30th division, Dorchester, Mass.

Turner, Harold T., corporal, Company F, 142d infantry, 30th division, Seminole, Okla. Deceased.

Turner, William S., first lieutenant, 108th infantry, 27th division, Dorchester, Mass.

Van Iersal, Louis, sergeant, Company M, 9th infantry, 2d division, Newark, N. J.

Villepique, John C., corporal, Company M, 118th infantry, 30th division, Camden, N. C.

Waajker, Reider, sergeant, Company A, 105th infantry, 27th division, Noroland, Norway.

Ward, Calvin, private, Company D, 117th infantry, 30th division, Morristown, Tenn.

West, Chester H., first sergeant, Company D, 363d infantry, 91st division, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Whittlesey, Charles W., lieutenant colonel, 308th infantry, 77th division, Pittsfield, Mass.

Wickersham, J. Hunter, second lieutenant, 333d infantry, 8th division, Denver, Colo. Deceased.

Woid, Neil, private, Company L, 138th infantry, 35th division, McIntosh, Minn. Deceased.

Woodfill, Samuel, first lieutenant (now captain), 64th infantry, 45th division, Fort Thomas, Ky.

York, Alvin C., sergeant, Company G, 325th infantry, 82d division, Fall Mall, Tenn.

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